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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
10/075,593	02/15/2002	Ellen M. Heath	GISM-P01-011

CONFIRMATION NO. 9392

FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

05/08/2002 SZEWIDIE1 00000017 181945 10075593

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

The following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Page(s) 2 of the specification (description and claims).

I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit **must be filed within TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.

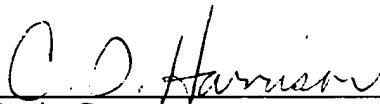
II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) requesting the later filing date **must be filed within TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. **THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR**

1.136(a) or (b). In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (i.e., the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabelled drawing figures, is required. Any drawing changes should be accompanied by a copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*



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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Inventor(s) : Ellen M. Heath *et al.*

Serial No. : 10/075,593

Filed : February 15, 2002

For : IMPROVED METHOD TO ISOLATE DNA

GISM-P01-011

Attorney Docket No. :

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

This is a response to a Notice to File Missing Parts dated March 8, 2002. Attached
please find the following:

- i. A declaration signed by all the named inventors in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.
- ii. A declaration surcharge to be charged to Deposit Account No. 18-1945.

Please note that the specification as filed is correct.

Respectfully submitted,

March 6, 2001

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**Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application
Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533)(Small Entity)**

Docket No.
GISM-P01-011

In Re Application Of

Heath et al.

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Serial No.
10/075,593

Filing Date
Feb. 15, 2002

Examiner

Group Art Unit

Invention:

IMPROVED METHOD TO ISOLATE DNA

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Box Missing Parts

This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533) mailed on
March 8, 2002
Date

Enclosed herewith for filing are the following:

- A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533). **(REQUIRED)**
- An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- A verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

_____ verified small entity declaration(s)

is/are attached.

was/were filed on _____

A separate request for refund.

Other (list):

Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application
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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Attention: Manager, Application Branch

Completion of application fees as calculated below:

Utility application filing fee _____

Design application filing fee _____

Total number of independent claims = _____

Total number of claims = _____

Multiple dependent claims _____

Surcharge for late payment of filing fee and/or late filing of original declaration or oath **\$65.00**

Petition and fee for filing by other than all the inventors or a person not the inventor _____

Fee for processing an application filed with a non-English language specification _____

Fee for processing and retention of application _____

Total completion of application fees **\$65.00**

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the above-identified Notice to File Missing Parts of Application. The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired). If an additional time extension is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: _____
Date

until: _____
Date

Total time extension fees _____

Total fees due **\$65.00**

**Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application
Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533) (Small Entity)**

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Attention: Manager, Application Branch

The fee of **\$65.00** is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **18-1945**
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **18-1945**
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.



Signature

Dated: **May 6, 2002**

**Sanjay Sitlani
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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on **May 6, 2002** with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence

Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence

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